

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are pending in this application. Claims 27-30 were previously canceled, and claim 31 is canceled herein. In view of the amendments and remarks contained herein, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims.

I. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claim 31 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication Number 2007/0055615 to Howell in view of U.S. Patent Publication Number 2003/0005455 to Bowers. Applicant has canceled claim 31. Therefore, Applicant contends that the Examiner's rejection of claim 31 is now moot.

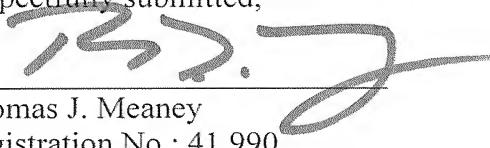
II. ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-26 were allowable as describing various embodiments of an invention not taught in the prior art. The Examiner is thanked for the indication of allowability. In view of the above, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2380, under Order No. M066 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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